by virtue of so serving, shall act as the Director pursuant to this memorandum.

- (b) No individual shall act as Director unless that individual is otherwise eligible to so serve under the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998.
- (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of this memorandum, the President retains discretion, to the extent permitted by law, to depart from this memorandum in designating an acting Director.
- Sec. 3. Judicial Review. This memorandum is intended to improve the internal management of the executive branch and is not intended to, and does not, create any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity by any party against the United States, its departments, agencies, or entities, its officers, employees, or agents, or any other person.
- **Sec. 4.** The Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation is authorized and directed to publish this memorandum in the *Federal Register*.

George W. Bush

# Digest of Other White House Announcements

The following list includes the President's public schedule and other items of general interest announced by the Office of the Press Secretary and not included elsewhere in this issue.

#### February 3

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Newport News, VA, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Pat Taylor. He then traveled to Williamsburg, VA.

In the afternoon, the President returned to Washington, DC.

The President declared a major disaster in Florida and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms and tornadoes on February 1–2.

#### February 5

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, in the Oval Office, he met with Office of Management and Budget Director Robert J. Portman.

In the afternoon, in the Oval Office, the President met with 2006 NASCAR Nextel Cup champion driver Jimmie Johnson.

During the day, the President had a telephone conversation with Indianapolis Colts owner James Irsay to congratulate the team on their February 4 Super Bowl victory. He then had separate telephone conversations with Indianapolis Colts head coach Tony Dungy and quarterback Peyton Manning.

In the evening, in the Red Room, the President hosted a dinner in honor of Major League Baseball.

### February 6

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Manassas, VA, where he toured Micron Technology, Inc.

Later in the morning, the President returned to Washington, DC.

### February 7

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he and Mrs. Bush traveled to Luray, VA. Upon arrival, they went to Shenandoah National Park.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush returned to Washington, DC.

In the evening, at Blair House, the President and Mrs. Bush attended a reception for Ambassador Donald Burnham Ensenat, Chief of Protocol, State Department.

The President announced his intention to nominate Mark P. Lagon to be Director of the Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons with the rank of Ambassador at Large at the Department of State.

#### February 8

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, in the Oval Office, he met with former President Amine Gemayel of Lebanon.

In the evening, the President hosted a reception for National Park Foundation board members. The White House announced that the President and Mrs. Bush will travel to Brazil, Uruguay, Colombia, Guatemala, and Mexico on March 8–14.

The President announced his intention to nominate Steven Jeffrey Isakowitz to be Chief Financial Officer at the Department of Energy.

The President announced his intention to nominate Williamson Evers to be Assistant Secretary of Education (Planning, Evaluation, and Policy Development).

The President announced his intention to nominate the following individuals to be members of the Board of Trustees of the Institute of American Indian and Alaska Native Culture and Arts Development: Perry R. Eaton; Sonya Kelliher-Combs; Brenda L. Kingery; Julie E. Kitka; and Kristine Mary Miller.

The President announced his intention to nominate Carol D'Amico, David C. Geary, and Eric Alan Hanushek to be members of the Board of Directors of the National Board for Education Sciences (Researchers).

The President announced his intention to nominate Marylyn Andrea Howe, Lonnie C. Moore, and Cynthia Allen Wainscott to be members of the National Council on Disability.

The President announced his intention to nominate Janis Herschkowitz, David George Nason, and Nguyen Van Hanh to be members of the Board of Directors of the National Consumer Cooperative Bank.

The President announced his intention to appoint Vayl Oxford as Director of the Office of Domestic Nuclear Detection at the Department of Homeland Security.

The President announced his intention to appoint J. David Cox, Sr., as a member of the Federal Salary Council.

The President declared a major disaster in Florida and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms, tornadoes, and flooding on December 25.

### February 9

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, in the Oval Office, he met with Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice.

Later in the morning, in the Oval Office, the President participated in an interview with Stephen F. Hayes of the Weekly Standard.

The White House announced that the President will welcome President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf of Liberia to the White House on February 14.

The President declared a major disaster in Illinois and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by a severe winter storm on November 30–December 1, 2006.

## Nominations Submitted to the Senate

The following list does not include promotions of members of the Uniformed Services, nominations to the Service Academies, or nominations of Foreign Service officers.

# Submitted February 8

Williamson Evers,

of California, to be Assistant Secretary for Planning, Evaluation, and Policy Development, Department of Education, vice Tom Luce, resigned.

Steven Jeffrey Isakowitz,

of Virginia, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Energy, vice Susan Johnson Grant, resigned.

## Checklist of White House Press Releases

The following list contains releases of the Office of the Press Secretary that are neither printed as items nor covered by entries in the Digest of Other White House Announcements.

#### Released February 3

Statement by the Press Secretary on the terrorist attack in Baghdad, Iraq